

I yield to the majority leader.

Mr. HOYER. Ladies and gentlemen of the House, the American public know this game. The gentlelady, the chairman of the Small Business Committee, has just made it clear. Gas prices were \$1.46 when President Bush took over the White House, when the Republicans took over the House, when the Senate was taken over by the Republicans. Gas prices are now \$3.51. Two oil men reside in the White House and in the vice presidency.

Nothing, of course, is your fault, because we have been here, after all, for 14 months. We, of course, have had most of that which we have wanted to pass on economics vetoed by the President. But what we wanted to pass on energy, we agreed with the President and worked on an energy package to get us to independence.

Now I want to talk to my side. We know this is a game. We know this is pure politics. We know there wants to be a 30-second ad to say somehow we voted against bringing gas prices down. That is patently absurd, and the American people are too smart for that. The American people are too smart.

I urge my colleagues on my side; I don't know that I will get any votes on this side, but this is a game, and it is a game that has gone on for too long. I asked for unanimous consent, but Mr. PRICE knows this is a game so he wouldn't give me unanimous consent to include this in the bill and pass it this very night. That is not what you want to do. You want a political ad.

So I am asking everybody on my side—the House wanted to be in order, I heard from over there. I am asking everybody on my side not to play this game, because it will never end. Don't play this game. Don't fool the American public. This is about sending this bill back to committee. It will take weeks to bring it back. The small business community deserves this bill. Support this bill. Reject this cynical political maneuver on this floor tonight.

Ms. VELAZQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, I yield the remainder of my time to the gentleman from Oregon (Mr. WU).

Mr. WU. Instead of grandstanding on gas issues, instead of taking “yes” for an answer, the minority would want to kill a bill that has funded NEI Corporation of Somerset, New Jersey that enables the development of batteries for hybrid vehicles; a program that funded Eltron Research for coal gasification that establishes energy independence; that funded Mohawk Innovative Technology of Albany, New York to enable the hydrogen economy.

You want energy independence? Vote for this bill. Stop the political grandstanding.

Ms. VELAZQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, I urge a “no” vote on the motion to recommit.

I yield back the balance of my time.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE
The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members are reminded to please direct their remarks to the Chair.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

Mr. WESTMORELAND. Parliamentary inquiry, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Georgia will state his parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. WESTMORELAND. Mr. Speaker, is it not true that if indeed this motion to recommit passed, that this bill could be referred back to the two committees from which it came and that it could be back on this floor as soon as tomorrow?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. As the Chair reaffirmed on November 15, 2007, at some subsequent time, the committee could meet and report the bill back to the House.

Mr. WESTMORELAND. I thank the Chair.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the previous question is ordered on the motion to recommit.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to recommit.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the noes appeared to have it.

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. HELLER of Nevada. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 and clause 9 of rule XX, this 15-minute vote on the motion to recommit will be followed by 5-minute votes on passage of the bill, if ordered; ordering the previous question on House Resolution 1126; and adoption of House Resolution 1126, if ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 195, noes 215, not voting 21, as follows:

[Roll No. 216]

AYES—195

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| Akin | Davis, David | Hobson |
| Bachmann | Deal (GA) | Hoekstra |
| Bachus | Dent | Hunter |
| Barrett (SC) | Diaz-Balart, L. | Inglis (SC) |
| Barrow | Diaz-Balart, M. | Issa |
| Bartlett (MD) | Donnelly | Johnson (IL) |
| Barton (TX) | Doolittle | Johnson, Sam |
| Biggart | Drake | Jones (NC) |
| Bilbray | Dreier | Jordan |
| Bilirakis | Duncan | Keller |
| Bishop (UT) | Ehlers | King (NY) |
| Blackburn | Emerson | Kingston |
| Boehner | English (PA) | Kirk |
| Bonner | Fallin | Kline (MN) |
| Bono Mack | Ferguson | Knollenberg |
| Boozman | Flake | Kuhl (NY) |
| Boustany | Forbes | Lamborn |
| Brady (TX) | Fortenberry | Lampson |
| Brown (GA) | Fossella | Latham |
| Brown (SC) | Fox | LaTourette |
| Buchanan | Franks (AZ) | Latta |
| Burgess | Frelinghuysen | Lewis (CA) |
| Burton (IN) | Gallegly | Lewis (KY) |
| Buyer | Garrett (NJ) | Linder |
| Calvert | Gerlach | LoBiondo |
| Camp (MI) | Gilchrest | Lucas |
| Cannon | Gingrey | Lungren, Daniel |
| Cantor | Gohmert | E. |
| Capito | Goode | Mack |
| Carter | Goodlatte | Manzullo |
| Castle | Granger | Marchant |
| Chabot | Graves | Marshall |
| Coble | Hall (TX) | McCarthy (CA) |
| Cole (OK) | Hastings (WA) | McCaul (TX) |
| Conaway | Hayes | McCotter |
| Crenshaw | Heller | McCrery |
| Cubin | Hensarling | McHenry |
| Culberson | Herger | McHugh |

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| McIntyre | Putnam | Smith (NJ) |
| McKeon | Radanovich | Smith (TX) |
| McMorris | Ramstad | Souder |
| Rodgers | Regula | Space |
| McNerney | Rehberg | Stearns |
| Mica | Reichert | Sullivan |
| Miller (FL) | Renzi | Tancredo |
| Miller (MI) | Reynolds | Terry |
| Miller, Gary | Rogers (AL) | Thornberry |
| Mitchell | Rogers (KY) | Tiahrt |
| Moran (KS) | Rogers (MI) | Tiberi |
| Murphy, Tim | Rohrabacher | Turner |
| Musgrave | Ros-Lehtinen | Upton |
| Myrick | Roskam | Walberg |
| Neugebauer | Royce | Walden (OR) |
| Nunes | Ryan (WI) | Walsh (NY) |
| Paul | Sali | Wamp |
| Pearce | Saxton | Weldon (FL) |
| Pence | Schmidt | Westmoreland |
| Petri | Sensenbrenner | Whitfield (KY) |
| Pickering | Sessions | Wilson (NM) |
| Pitts | Shadegg | Wilson (SC) |
| Platts | Shays | Wittman (VA) |
| Poe | Shimkus | Wolf |
| Porter | Shuster | Young (AK) |
| Price (GA) | Simpson | Young (FL) |
| Pryce (OH) | Smith (NE) | |

NOES—215

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| Abercrombie | Gonzalez | Murphy, Patrick |
| Ackerman | Gordon | Murtha |
| Allen | Green, Al | Napolitano |
| Altmire | Green, Gene | Neal (MA) |
| Arcuri | Grijalva | Oberstar |
| Baca | Gutierrez | Obey |
| Baird | Hall (NY) | Olver |
| Baldwin | Hare | Ortiz |
| Bean | Harman | Pallone |
| Becerra | Hastings (FL) | Pascarell |
| Berkley | Herseth Sandlin | Pastor |
| Berman | Hinchey | Payne |
| Berry | Hinojosa | Perlmutter |
| Bishop (GA) | Hirono | Peterson (MN) |
| Bishop (NY) | Hodes | Pomeroy |
| Blumenauer | Holden | Price (NC) |
| Boren | Holt | Rahall |
| Boswell | Honda | Rangel |
| Boucher | Hooley | Reyes |
| Boyd (FL) | Hoyer | Richardson |
| Boyda (KS) | Inslee | Rodriguez |
| Brady (PA) | Israel | Ross |
| Braley (IA) | Jackson (IL) | Rothman |
| Brown, Corrine | Jackson-Lee | Roybal-Allard |
| Butterfield | (TX) | Ruppersberger |
| Capps | Jefferson | Ryan (OH) |
| Capuano | Johnson (GA) | Salazar |
| Cardoza | Johnson, E. B. | Sánchez, Linda |
| Carnahan | Jones (OH) | T. |
| Carney | Kagen | Sanchez, Loretta |
| Carson | Kanjorski | Sarbanes |
| Castor | Kaptur | Schakowsky |
| Chandler | Kennedy | Schiff |
| Clarke | Kildee | Schwartz |
| Clay | Kilpatrick | Scott (GA) |
| Cleaver | Kind | Scott (VA) |
| Cohen | Klein (FL) | Serrano |
| Conyers | Kucinich | Sestak |
| Cooper | Langevin | Shea-Porter |
| Costa | Larsen (WA) | Sherman |
| Costello | Larson (CT) | Shuler |
| Courtney | Lee | Sires |
| Crowley | Levin | Skelton |
| Cuellar | Lewis (GA) | Slaughter |
| Cummings | Lipinski | Smith (WA) |
| Davis (AL) | Loebach | Snyder |
| Davis (CA) | Lofgren, Zoe | Solis |
| Davis (IL) | Lowe | Speier |
| Davis, Lincoln | Lynch | Spratt |
| DeFazio | Mahoney (FL) | Stark |
| DeGette | Maloney (NY) | Stupak |
| Delahunt | Markey | Sutton |
| DeLauro | Matheson | Tanner |
| Dingell | Matsui | Tauscher |
| Doyle | McCarthy (NY) | Taylor |
| Edwards | McCollum (MN) | Thompson (CA) |
| Ellison | McDermott | Thompson (MS) |
| Ellsworth | McGovern | Tierney |
| Emanuel | McNulty | Towns |
| Engel | Meek (FL) | Tsongas |
| Eshoo | Meeks (NY) | Udall (CO) |
| Etheridge | Melancon | Udall (NM) |
| Farr | Michaud | Van Hollen |
| Fattah | Miller (NC) | Velázquez |
| Filter | Miller, George | Visclosky |
| Foster | Mollohan | Walz (MN) |
| Frank (MA) | Moore (KS) | Wasserman |
| Giffords | Moore (WI) | Schultz |
| Gillibrand | Murphy (CT) | |